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Encompassing PLANET EARTH

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Globalization. An MSOE buzzword in recent years, since the Action for Excellence program highlighted globalization 1983. Several programs have already been undertaken in a college-wide effort to globalize, and other exciting programs are in the planning stages.

Thomas Davis, MSOE vice president of academics and dean of faculty, identified some of the programs already in place:

o Foreign language courses in Spanish, German, and French

o Foreign graduate research assistant program. Currently four foreign students work in the Fluid Power Institute as graduate research assistants.

o Japanese foreign culture classes

o MSOE's Society of International Students, which include both foreign and American students and hosts such events as the International Luncheon.

Dean Davis also pointed to the experience three MSOE graduates had teaching English in Tokyo. Bruce Halvorson, Barrow Grabow, and Tim Rogers left for Japan right after graduation two years ago after taking a Japanese culture class. Dean Davis thinks more MSOE students should pursue foreign experiences of this type [A list of overseas summer opportunities for students is

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WMSE Establishes 18-Hour Broadcast Day

WMSE reduced programming to an 18-hour day (6 a.m. - midnight), effective January 23. The announcement was made by Bob Betts, WMSE general manager.

At the same time, the station will revised its scheduling by shifting its daytime soul music to late evening.

"The changes came about after long considerations of our listener's needs and our goals," Betts said. "Because we are located physically in the residence hall, we must be sensitive to security precautions that will help to create a safe environment on the campus. Curtailing of programming between midnight and 6 a.m. will reduce the number of non-students in the area during those hours.

"At the same time, we will seek to increase the potential listening audience of our soul music by moving it to the 10 p.m. - midnight slot on Monday through Friday. The soul daytime segment will be replaced with alternative music that has inherent continuity with our other daytime programming."

Betts said the station will begin to announce metropolitan area coming events for the business and education communities. "A substantial portion of our daytime listening audience comes from the business community," he said. "We will be working with professional and other groups to assist their promotional efforts that will benefit the community."

WMSE will continue to feature the Pete Christensen Show during the morning hours of 6 a.m. - 9 a.m., and will air jazz and fusion from 9 a.m. - noon, Betts said. Saturday and Sunday formats are remaining unchanged. ●

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Skipping Classes

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working world. Face it, when you sleep through that 8:00 class, it becomes much easier to do it the next time. So, the next quarter you schedule your classes, so they don't start before 10:00 or 11:00. Before you know it you have a job that starts at 7:30. This means you will have to undergo some major changes in a very short time.

Finally, your professor is much more willing to help you if you are in class all of the time. One teacher said, "The thing that bothers me the most about students is that they walk into my office and say, 'I missed your class yesterday, what did we discuss?'" Forget it! Whose going to go through their lecture for every student who skipped their class. I wouldn't and I don't think you would either. Teachers will go that extra mile for a student only when they know that they are showing that enthusiasm to be in class and actively participate. Just remember, it's shouldn't be an effort to go to class, that's what we're here for. So the next time you skip a class, just toss $12.64 in the little round filing cabinet and think about it! ●

Interested in expressing your creativity? Or just plain having fun? Come to the INGENIUM meetings on Wednesday Nights at 6:00PM in the basement of the C-Building (Room C-5).

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Calendar of February and March Events

February 6-10
Seminar: Electronics for Non-electrical Engineers

February 7
Paradigm Information Meeting

February 8-17
Current/Former Student Registration

February 14-16
Student Life Seminar: Overcoming Depression

February 19-25
National Engineers Week

February 24
End of Winter Quarter

March 3-5
Train-Time Open House (SOME)

March 6
Spring Quarter Begins

March 18
Spring Open House

March 24
Easter Recess

March 27
Classes Resume

Where will it end?